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TICU Protests NLRB Election Policy Change

Oppose Employers Right To Petition Election

Proposed amendment of NLRB rules permitting employers the right to petition for an election was voted by the Toledo Industrial Union Council at its meeting of May 25.

The protest was an outgrowth of a hearing held in Washington on May 19 at which time the CIO, AFL and unaffiliated unions entered their protests against the board granting the right to employers to petition for elections.

Were the NLRB to make such a change in its rules, it would permit the employer the right to petition for an election upon the expiration of the annual contract based on a reasonable doubt in the mind of the employer that the union no longer represented a majority of the employees.

Officers of the Council were instructed to notify army and navy officers assigned to Toledo war plants of the protest and inform them that such a change in NLRB regulations would interfere with war production by denying collective bargaining.

Protest Gas Cut

A protest was voted to be sent to the Washington office of the OPA on the refusal of the Toledo OPA office to provide gas for shop stewards to travel to union meetings. The ruling of the Toledo OPA is contrary to directions from the Washington office.

Efforts of the Republicans in congress to pass an amendment to the constitution eliminating the poll tax was denounced by Council delegates who voted to express their opposition to such action. It was the feeling of the delegates that such an act was for political purposes and that the chances of the amendment passing was very slight in view of the fact that the child labor amendment passed by congress has never been ratified by a sufficient number of states to make it a law.

Change Meetings

Voting to reconsider the action taken at the last meeting of the TIUC Council, delegates by a close vote decided to hold one meeting instead of two during June, July and August. Meetings will be held the second Thursday of each month. Time of the meetings was also changed from 8:00 to 8:30 p. m.

Earl Ordway, member of the TIUC executive board was given the unanimous endorsement of the Council for state senator. Mr. Ordway was nominated in the May 9 primary on the Democratic ticket.

Council voted $200 to finance the work of the Political Action Committee.

— Tune In WTOL Sunday 12:30 P. M. —

UMW Defeated By CIO

SPRINGFIELD, Ill. (FP)—A year-long organizing campaign by District 50, United Mine Workers (unaffiliated), ended in defeat when a majority of the workers at the Allis-Chalmers plant here stuck by their former collective bargaining choice, the United Farm Equipment & Metal Workers (CIO) in an NLRB elecetion.

Crawford Unveils New Plans

LOS ANGELES, May 27 (FP)—Give business a clearer field for higher profits and get rid of the Roosevelt administration and you won't need much else in the way of postwar planning, Board Chairman Frederick C. Crawford of the National Association of Manufacturers told more than 1000 southern California industrialists at the Biltmore Hotel here. They met on the heels of labor's recent political triumph in the state primaries.

Introduced as "America's ambassador of free enterprise," Crawford did his best to rally the glum magnates by painting a rosy picture of postwar prosperity, abundance and even higher incomes for the high-income brackets—with the leadership of the nation handed over to big business, lower taxes on corporate profits, no more government protection of organized labor, no more government interference with monopolistic practices, no more nonsense about social security.

Paints A Picture

"They tell us that we must have a fourth more workers after the war than before," Crawford said. "That means a fourth more employers. That means a fourth more capital. How will we get that capital? Only when more incentive exists, when we can take risks as employers. Now they have put a perfect birth control on business through taxes—and you lose even if you win."

The NAM prophet did not mention international cooperation in his postwar planning for America and he forgot to say where and how markets were to be found for the goods big business is going to produce so abundantly. He did mention Germany — comparing Hitler's fascist regime with the Roosevelt administration, "the creeping collectivism that will destroy us."

UPW Grows

CHICAGO—(FP) — Membership in the United Packinghouse Workers (CIO) since its formation in October 1943 from the former organizing committee has bounded from 53,000 to 92,000, according to Pres. Lewis J. Clark.

First Move To Hamper Price Controls Made

WASHINGTON, May 27 (FP)—Enemies of price control and the OPA have won their first victory to start the dangerous spiral of inflation. On May 26 the Senate Banking and Currency Committee prepared to offer its bill extending the Price Control Act for another year. In it the committee has included, by a 12 to 6 vote, an amendment offered by Senator John H. Bankhead (D., Ala.)

Bankhead's amendment takes off the lid from price freezing on cotton goods. That means [illegible] manufacturers could and in a crusade [illegible] the cost of work the freedom [illegible]ls, shirts, house Some 13,000 [illegible]hing for children duals have [illegible] tailed, B[illegible]nly does the amendment [illegible] a green light to everybody [illegible]t's re[illegible] is waiting and eager to in[illegible]se costs to the consumer of cotton textiles, but it stands as an invitation for the woolen goods people to get a similar amendment—for the food processors, canners, and all sorts of other manufacturers of items going into the worker's living cost to get into the swim and get rich.

Murray Warns CIO

CIO Pres. Philip Murray, in a letter to all affiliated unions has has pointed out that the amendment will "open the door to unlimited price increases in every commodity consumers use." He charged that the amendment will "encourage every profiteering interest now pressing to lift ceilings and destroy price control."

Murray called it the first crippling amendment to the Price Control act and warned that the House committee, preparing a similar bill, would be encouraged to follow the Senate if the amendment survives an expected storm of public protest.

"Every CIO member and housewife must at once wire an urgent protest to their Senators against the Bankhead amendment," Murray wrote. "They should express the same protest to their Representative, to head off similar proposals in the House. Failure to do so will destroy price control and result in a further serious wage cut for all workers."

Local 12 Camera Club

One of the outstanding organizations in Local 12 is the Camera Club. Under the direction of Arnold Shenofsky, its director, the Camera Club has made great progress. During the fall and winter it had charge of the weekly movie shows which were free to all members of the Local. Members of the club who are taking an active part in the building of the group are, rear row, left, to right, Lawrence Hyter, Paul Crunkilton, Wallace Pieron, John Huddle; front row, Frank Mraz, Arnold Shenofsky, director, and Herman Gruetter. Picture by William Harris.

R. J. Thomas Appeals to UAW Against Use of Wildcat Strikes

Says Union Survival Rests Upon Outcome of Crisis

R. J. Thomas, president UAW-CIO, has addressed the following appeal to the membership of the union:

"The UAW-CIO today faces one of the greatest crisis in its history. On the outcome of this crisis will depend the possibilities of our survival in the post-war period. The test is this: are the membership of our union and its leaders willing to abide by the democratic decisions and mandates of our constitution and our conventions?

"To most of our more than a million members this statement will come as a surprise. Most of you, virtually all of you, are engaged at work in your plants. But a union is only as strong as its weakest link. A minority, even a handful, can do a union irreparable harm, even destroy it.

Wild Cat Strikes

"The workers who insist on taking part in unauthorized strikes may be such a minority. Within recent weeks there have been too many wildcat strikes. Public opinion has become inflamed against our union. Word of these strikes is going to our millions of men in uniform.

"Our union cannot survive if the nation and our soldiers believe that we are obstructing the war effort. Our loyal membership must face that fact. They must see that the good name of our union is maintained, that the facts of isolated handfuls are not permitted to continue, to the detriment of all of us.

"Today our armed forces are poised for an attack on the Nazi war machine. Already more than 35,000 of our American brothers have been killed in action. Many more have been maimed, many of them for life. These figures will increase many-fold in the months to come.

"Does any reasonable and responsible person believe that in the face of these terrible facts, our union can tolerate wildcat strikes in war plants and still survive? It can't be done.

"Either we set our own house in order at once, cease all wildcat strikes, or we will face an attack such as no union can withstand.

Observe Pledge

"Let us all resolve today to obey our constitution and the no-strike pledges made by our conventions. There can be no such thing today as legitimate picket lines. Any person who sets up picket lines is acting like an anarchist, not like a dis-

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Pledges No After-War Strikes

SAN FRANCISCO, May 29 (FP)—A proposed preamble to contracts pledging not to strike in peacetime in return for guarantees of basic union security was unanimously approved by 5,000 members of Local 6, Intl. Longshoremen's & Warehousemen's Union (CIO).

After adopting the preamble and another resolution branding strikes in wartime as treason, the local urged similar action by other ILWU locals. The preamble was approved at a Local 6 membership meeting at which ILWU President Harry Bridges explained the union's reasons for backing extension of the no-strike pledge into the postwar era.

"This measure would defend the security of the nation now and after the war, permitting both employers and labor to concentrate on defeating the enemies of labor," Bridges declared. "These enemies are the Axis powers now, and unemployment after the war. Unemployment will only be licked by cooperation — a partnership of management, labor, farmers and government—which is free of industrial strife."

— Tune In WTOL Sunday 12:30 P. M. —

Paternalism No Substitute For Union Security

WASHINGTON—(FP) — Simply because a corporation has a long history of a model paternalistic policy towards its employes (used to block unionization drives) is no reason for denying union security in the shop, the National War Labor Board ruled May 23.

The decision came up on the case of the Endicott Johnson Corp., Endicott, N. Y. in a dispute with the International Fur & Leather Workers (CIO).

Endicott Johnson has a profit-sharing plan, a pension system, hospitalization benefits, pension and retirement plans in its big shoe factory.

Despite this, the WLB majority held the need of a union is a right for the workers, not the employer to decide and "having exercised this right, the union formed by the employes is entitled to the same degree of union security as any other union so long as it observes labor's pledge not to strike in wartime and in all other respects act responsibly."

The union security clause and checkoff were awarded the workers.

Ward Hailed Before WLB In Two Cases

KANSAS CITY, Mo. May 29 (FP)—Two separate Natl. War Labor Board panel hearings on labor controversies involving Montgomery Ward & Co. were underway here May 29.

One hearing involved the company's Kansas City, Mo., retail store and the United Retail Wholesale & Dept. Store Employes (CIO). Principal issues in the dispute are: 1. The firm's challenge of WLB's authority. 2. The union's charge that the firm refuses to negotiate a contract following choice of the union as collective bargaining agent in an NLRB election. 3. Demands of the union for wage increases and maintenance of membership for the firm's 250 local employes .

The other hearing involves the company's Kansas City, Kans., retail store and the Retail Clerks International Protective Association (AFL). Chief issues here are a maintenance of membership clause in a proposed contract and union demands for a guaranteed minimum wage and 15% wage increase.

Label's Bridges

R. J. Thomas

DETROIT, May 9—Asked to comment on the proposal of Harry Bridges that labor forego its right to strike after the war and "indefinitely," R. J. Thomas, president of the UAW-CIO, said:

"The idea that labor should surrender its right to strike 'indefinitely,' as has been suggested, is a ridiculous, defeatist proposal. The labor movement cannot possibly survive if it throws away 'indefinitely' its most effective weapon.

"There will be vital issues after the war. There will be a day of reckoning with some employers who have taken advantage of labor's wartime no-strike pledge. Labor does not intend to go into that period with its hands tied behind its back.

"Such proposals merely inflame the rank and file of labor, the vast majority of whom are showing great restraint now by withholding their right to strike. The UAW-CIO is unalterably opposed to wartime strikes, and, as far as I am concerned, will take that position until the day of victory over Nazism. However, any suggestion that that will be labor's position after the war, as well, makes more difficult enforcement of the no-strike pledge today.

"I hope there will be few strikes after the war. That will depend on the readiness of management to bargain sincerely and in good faith. For those who will refuse to do so, we must have the strike weapon as a final recourse."

Jack Kroll Appoints Assistant

CINCINNATI, May 27 — The appointment of Garland Ashcraft of Cleveland as assistant Director, Region 5, CIO Political Action Committee, was announced this week by Jack Kroll, director.

Ashcraft left a position of acting Public Relations Director for the Brotherhood of Railroad Trainmen by arrangement between Director Kroll and A. F. Whitney, president of the brotherhood.

A newspaper writer, publicity and public relations man by training and experience, Ashcraft also brings to the PAC many years of experience in labor union industrial and political organization.

He is a member and was one of the original organizers of the American Newspaper Guild, and is credited as having been the first to start unionization of the daily publishing field.

Under Kroll's direction, he will handle the public relations in Ohio, West Virginia and Kentucky, and will also assist the Regional Director in the organization work.

"We are glad to have Brother Ashcraft with us, and with our office more adequately staffed, our local PAC Committees and workers may expect a stepping up of the activities of the 5th Regional Office, which proper staffing makes possible," Director Kroll said.

— Tune In WTOL Sunday 12:30 P. M. —

Holman Is Beaten

PORTLAND, Ore. (FP)—Labor's political action scored against another reactionary congressman with the defeat of Senator Rufus C. Holman in the Oregon Republican primary.

SPECIAL MEETING

Auto-Lite Unit will hold a special meeting at Civic Auditorium, Sunday, June 4, at 2:00 p. m.

Important subjects will be taken up by the meeting. Every Unit member should make it a point to attend.

W-O Unit Gets Ruling From State

Herbert Rules Cigarette Tax Must Be Paid

In an opinion handed down last week, Attorney General Thomas J. Herbert ruled that the Willys-Overland Unit must pay the state sales tax on cigarettes after the Willys Unit protest on the tax had been referred to him by the cigarette tax department of the Ohio Sales Tax Division.

The Willys Unit protest on the payment of the sales tax was brought about when the state sales tax division forced the Unit to pay the tax on cigarettes purchased in Michigan for shipment to 2500 Willys workers now serving in the armed forces.

Willys Unit paid the tax under protest, basing its claim for exemption on the fact that the cigarettes were purchased in Michigan and were brought across the line for shipment to servicemen and that the cigarettes were not resold.

Investigation by the TOLEDO UNION JOURNAL revealed that cigarettes sold or sent the war prisoners quartered at Camp Perry were not taxable under the Ohio state law, because Camp Perry is federal property.

Commenting on this compar-

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Sandusky Company Uses Paper To Irritate Workers

SANDUSKY, May 27—Efforts of the Farrell-Cheek Foundry Co. to provoke its workers reached a new low when the company, using the Sandusky Register-Star-News, this week sent the paper through the mail to 800 production workers employed by the company. The material in the Sandusky paper which the Farrell-Cheek management was so anxious for its workers to read, was an editorial "Leadership Proves Its Quality," which had appeared in the Monday issue of the Register-Star-News.

The paper in which the editorial appeared and which was marked with a red pencil before sending to the Farrell-Cheek workers was Tuesday's paper, which means that the company paid the newspaper to make over its editorial page in order to carry the editorial the company was interested in.

Praises Leadership

In its editorial, the Register-Star-News viewed "with feelings of regret and with rising patriotic ire, the seemingly incessant series of labor disturbances at Detroit, Toledo, Cleveland and other nearby centers."

The editorial went on to say that work stoppages cannot be justified at a time of national peril, regardless how deep-seated the grievances of the workers may be, and then pointed with pride to Sandusky which has had no serious strike in the past several years.

The editorial patted labor leadership in Sandusky on the back for its intelligence, vision and appreciation of its responsibilities and opportunities within the community, and ended with the pious hope that nothing would occur to break and alter the team spirit between labor and management which had been built up over the years.

Question Motive

Farrell-Cheek workers are questioning the sincerity of the company in sending out the marked editorial and wonder what object it had in mind when it paid the Sandusky newspaper to make over its editorial page and place Monday's editorial in Tuesday's paper.

Some of the workers are wondering if the company might not have been moved by considerations bearing upon the contract negotiations which have been going on since April 14,

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Annual Meeting

Annual meeting of the Automotive Building Corporation will be held at Local 12 headquarters, 425 Winthrop, Friday, June 9. Shortly after 8:00 p. m. Election of trustees to the Building Corporation will be held.

By order of The Board of Trustees, Automotive Building Corp.

UAW Victor In Two Packard Co. Elections

Packard guards, polishers, buffers and helpers voted in favor of Local 12, UAW-CIO, as their bargaining agent in two separate elections held at the Packard plant Friday, May 26.

The election held for the polishers, buffers and helpers was petitioned for by Local 2, AFL. Local 12 intervened and was also placed on the ballot. Results of the election were Local 12—22 votes; AFL—14 votes. Four votes were challenged.

In the election held for the plant guards, the results were Local 12—26; No Union—5. Four eligible voters did not cast a ballot.

With the winning of the two elections last Friday, the entire plant is represented by Local 12, UAW-CIO. In an election held at the company plant, March 22, the employes, with the exception of the two departments voting last Friday voted for Local 12 as bargaining agent.

Negotiations on the contract for the employes who voted in the March 22 election have been under way for the past few weeks. Good progress is being made in negotiations and the contract should be signed within the next few weeks. A supplement will be added to the contract now being negotiated covering the two new departments added in last Friday's election.

Members of the Packard Executive Committee who were in charge of the organizational drive preceding last week's election were, Lee Shafer, chairman; Fred Gelow, vice-chairman and Evelyn Melton, secretary. The executive committee members were assisted by Edward Duck. Local 12 representative. Arthur Stark, field examiner for the National Labor Relations Board was in charge of the election.

UAW Board Ousts 15 Strike Leaders

DETROIT—(FP)—Pres. William Jenkins and 14 administrative officers of Local 490, United Auto Workers (CIO,) were unanimously ousted by the UAW International executive board May 24 "for violating the CIO's no-strike pledge made to Pres. Roosevelt and the people of the U. S."

The ousted officials had led an 8-day strike by 11,500 workers at seven Chrysler Corp. plants. Leo Lamotte, head of the UAW Chrysler division, was appointed by the board to take charge of the local until an election can be held within 60 days.

Co-Ops Celebrate Centenary Dec. 21

By Wallace J. Campbell

The co-ops have come through trial by fire—100 years of it.

On Dec. 21 it will be 100 years since 28 weavers in the textile town of Rochdale, England, opened a drab little store on Toad Lane. Competing merchants hired some of the bobbin boys from the same mills to stand outside and jeer as the co-op members came in to buy their flour, sugar, tallow and salt.

In the 100 years that have followed, profit business, little and big, has tried to drive out the co-ops.

Trusts and combines have tried to kill the co-ops by price wars — the consumer owners calmly bought the goods their enemies were selling below cost and then reopened for business when the prices went back up. Press lords in England staged malicious attacks to get their workers to boycott the co-ops—the resulting publicity brought in thousands of new members.

Co-ops Compete

Competitors forced manufacturers to refuse to supply the co-ops — so the co-ops started factories of their own. Oil interests threatened to cut off sources of supply — the co-ops built and bought refineries, built pipelines and drilled their own wells.

Today a group of self-appointed prophets of profit enterprise have organized the National Tax Equality Association and are raising a large war chest to attack the U. S. cooperative on the legislative front. Foremost objective of the organization is to tax the savings which co-ops return to their members.

Growing in America

Today 2½ million families in the U. S. do three quarters of a billion dollars worth of business a year through their consumer cooperatives. Most of these co-ops were started by farmers and white collar and professional people, but 130 co-op stores and service stations and a couple of hundred credit unions have been organized by union men. The AFL, CIO and railroad brotherhoods have all indorsed co-operatives and the United Auto Workers (CIO) has set up its own consumer division. One of its jobs is to help organize cooperatives.

The first 100 years of the co-operative movement were the hardest. As the co-ops swing into their second century millions more will join or organize their own co-ops as part of this growing "peoples business" in which the consumer members own and run their own enterprises and reap the advantages of non-profit business.

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NLRB Back Pay Order Of $12,647.35

TOMS RIVER, N. J. — (FP) — It took three years, but 20 workers — who were fired by Poultrymen's Service Corp., feed mill here back in 1940 when they struck for union recognition — finally were awarded back pay totaling $12,647.35.

The NLRB order, which was dragged through the courts by the company for three years, also gave all the workers who were fired the right to their jobs with full accumulated seniority rights.

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Status Of WLB Cases Is Given

Editor's note: The following list of WLB cases was compiled by Local 12 to show members of shops affected Just where their cases are as of May 27. Reports will be given every two or three weeks to enable members to observe the progress of their cases before the board.

ACKLIN

Form 10 covering wage adjustments for approximately 148 non-productive employes was denied by the WLB on 5-8-44. Union appealed decision on 5-18-44. Company sent WLB a letter stating reasons why the appeal should be considered.

ACME SPECIALTY

Tom Burke, Art Peth and shop committee to go to Cleveland to present facts showing why certain rates should be adjusted in the shop.

AMERICAN CAN

The parties have been meeting with conciliation trying to get together on the 1944 contract.

BUCKEYE PAINT

WLB granted 4-cent and 6-cent increases on 10-4-43—apparently got lost in OPA files in Washington. Many letters to OPA by Local 12 got no response. Kenny Cole and other Washington UAW representatives were notified and got OPA approval and increase was put in effect 4-20-44—retroactive to 2-9-43.

DE VILBISS

WLB approved request for a new vacation plan. Employes from one to five years' seniority get one week with 48 hours' pay. Those with more than five years' seniority get two weeks with 96 hours' pay.

GORDON BUMPER

Has had an appeal in to the NWLB since 1-25-44. Tears, curses and all other methods have failed to dislodge it.

LAKESIDE BISCUIT

Five-cent average increase retroactive to 9-28-43.

NATIONAL SUPPLY

Hearing before a panel at the Commodore Perry 6-2-44.

RANSOM & RANDOLPH

Hearing held in Toledo 5-23-44. An early decision is expected from the WLB.

TOLEDO PIPE THREAD

Old case changed from dispute case to a Form 10 when new management went in — five-cent and up increases to more than 250 employes—retroactive to 2-1-44.

WEL-EVER

Fifteen-cent increase granted 5-15-44, retroactive date, 6-11-43.

W. O. HOSPITAL

Case started 5-14-43—denied and appealed several times. Union's persistence finally won case—approved rates 95c for nurses. Retroactive 6-3-43. Approved 5-8-44.

Klopping, Air-Way, Burt Foundry, Fort Pitt Steel, Hall Mfg., Peerless Molded Plastics, Plaskon, Rathbun Jones, Toledo Porcelain Enamel, Toledo Pressed Steel, Toledo Steel Tube all have cases before the WLB asking for better vacation clauses in their contracts.

CIO Aids British Workers

Testimony to the value of "rest-break" homes established in rural areas of Britain by contributions of CIO members, for British war workers, has just been received in a letter to the British War Relief Society from a woman munitions worker. The BWRS, an affiliate of the National War Fund, is benefitted by the Greater Toledo Community War Chest.

The writer of the letter is Mrs. Esther Ryalls, a factory worker for 30 years in peacetime as well as wartime. Threatened with a nervous breakdown, Mrs. Ryalls was sent to "Estcourt", a rest-break at St. Annes-on-Sea.

The letter describes the good work done at Estcourt, the kindness of the staff and the excellent food and attention. Estcourt has a piano, radio and a library of good books.

During her stay at Estcourt, Mrs. Ryalls met many other workers. Two were grandmothers but they were doing men's work on munitions.

WAVES In Summer

Cool and happy are Ensign Eloise English of Washington, D. C., left, and Virginia Laws, Yeoman, third class, of Denver, Colorado, in their new summer uniforms. The uniforms are gray and white pin-striped seersucker, consisting of jacket and one-piece shirtwaist dress having a round collar, setin belt at the wasit, and a single kickpleat in front. They are identical for officers and enlisted women, except for the hats and the insignia of rank or rating. Ties, shoes, purse and gloves are black. The cost of these summer uniforms is covered by part of the Navy clothing allowance — $200 for enlisted WAVES, $250 for officers.

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ciplined union man. Such picket lines should be ignored.

"I need not be reminded that the maintenance of production requires the cooperation of management and governmental agencies, as well of our union and its members. I know that government agencies are too slow, and that managements in many cases are trying to provoke strikes, or at least to take advantage of the no-strike pledge to weaken our union.

"These things are true, but to me they are only additional reasons why we must exert every bit of self-control we have to prevent the provocation from achieving its intended results—strikes and the blackening of our union.

Must Win War

"This war must be won. If management will not sincerely work toward that end, then labor must do so. We may have to take it on the chin here and there for a time, but if we can present the nation and the returning soldiers with a clean labor record, we will gain after the war for the sacrifices we are making today.

"We will keep the record. The truth will be told. But there will be no gain in keeping and publishing our wartime record, if that record is marred by wildcat strikes in war plants.

"I appeal to our membership. If you value your union, if you want it to live and serve us after the war—we must restrain ourselves and our hot-headed brothers today. If we do not, there will be no union after the war. In fact, restrictive legislation, worse than anything now on the books, will be enacted before the war ends and we will be behind the eight-ball before we even have a chance to do the post-war job that will be required."

Dist. 50 Loses NLRB Election

SPRINGFIELD, Ill—(FP)—A year-long organizing campaign by Dist. 50, United Mine Workers (unaffiliated), ended in defeat May 24 when a majority of the workers at the Allis-Chalmers plant here stuck by their former collective bargaining choice, the United Farm Equipment & Metal Workers (CIO), in an NLRB election.

The vote was 1,124 for the CIO union, 777 for Dist. 50 and 78 for no union. Result of the election was a decided rebuff to Dist. 50, which threatened a strike at one point in its campaign because the NLRB refused to accede to its demand for an election while the CIO contract was still in force.

The May 24 election was ordered by the NLRB because the CIO contracts with the plant had expired.

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1943 and which are now being appealed by the company management to the War Labor Board. The plant workers are members of Local 310, UAW-CIO, which won bargaining rights in an NLRB conducted election, March 16, 1943.

Company Stalls

CIO officials were emphatic in their remarks about the company sending out the marked editorial, in the face of the efforts which the company has made to stall negotiations, by using every possible legal avenue to escape coming to an agreement with its workers and signing their contract.

Efforts of the company to stall on the contract has been more evident since March 18 when the Regional War Labor Board in a directive, ordered seniority, maintenance of membership, vacation pay, hours of work, leave of absence and other clauses favorable to the workers. A 15 per cent deduction made by the company on the moulders was also ordered restored.

Following orders of the company that the checkers should continue to make their reports as previously and disregard the WLB directive, the Board reaffirmed its directive on April 1. The company then filed an appeal consisting of an 80 page brief compiled by a high-priced Chicago law firm.

Comments By Union

If the Sandusky newspaper would now write an editorial and explain the reason why workers are irritated, it might contribute to the industrial peace of Sandusky, according to members of the UAW who are employed in the Farrell-Cheek Foundry. One worker stated the case by saying, "when management desires to, they merely ignore the orders of the Board and in most cases get away with it. There are plenty of Sewell Avery's and they are not all in Chicago. Let the union ignore a Board directive and see what happens to it."

Other workers are saying that the Sandusky newspaper should remember that most of the subscribers to the paper are workers in the production plants of Sandusky, and that there may again be newspaper competition in Sandusky when the war is over. Workers also resent the company mailing the paper to them, "as though we are so illiterate we can't understand what we read."

It is expected that the company's appeal to the Board will be denied in view of the fact that the Board has already issued two directive favorable to the workers. The answer is expected within the next two or three weeks.

CIO Asks WLB To Crack Down

INDIANAPOLIS — (FP) — "A miniature Montgomery Ward case exists in Jasper, Ind., where the New Indiana Chair Co., has in effect told the government of the U. S. to go to hell," Sec. Walter Frisbie of the Indiana CIO. declared here.

Urging that the plant be taken over by the government if the WLB is unable to force compliance, Frisbie in a letter to the board said: If the New Indiana Chair Co., is able to establish in the city of Jasper an island of defiance, not subject to the laws of this land or the authority of the WLB., we fear that, like any other disease, this will spread and affect much of the rest of the state."

Ruling

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ison, Sam Kaplan, local representative of the Ohio Sales Tax Division commented, "Well, why don't you criticize the federal tax which Willys must pay on the cigarettes?"

Replying to Mr. Kaplans' comment, Melvin Sschultz, president of Local 12, who is a member of the Willys Unit said, "We can see no comparison between the federal tax and the Ohio sales tax. The federal tax at least goes to support the servicemen, whereas the state sales tax goes into the state treasury which holds such a surplus of money that it has become almost a public scandal."

Continuing, Mr. Schultz said, "this incident is another illustration of why the sales tax should be lessened if not actually done away with. The money is piling up in Columbus, while the political sub-divisions are trying to get enough money to pay their employes to maintain essential public services, and pay their school teachers."

Members of the Servicemen's Welfare Fund Committee were unanimous in condemning the arbitrary stand taken by the sales tax division and the attorney general. One member said, "Its about time the people of this state did something about the state sales tax. All that bunch in Columbus serving under Bricker think about is getting money into the state treasury so Bricker can point to the surplus as a good reason why he should get the Republican presidential nomination."

Homer Avery, chairman of the Willys Unit saw in the action of the state another good reason for a strong CIO Political Action Committee. He said, "this action of the state in forcing us to take money out of the fund with which we send many useful gifts to our servicemen serving all over the world, is just another reason why the CIO should have a strong Political Action Committee. Its about time to kick some of the politicians out of office whose only consideration is how their every act will effect them politically."

In order to avoid the payment of the state sales tax, the Willys Unit will rent a store room just over the Michigan border where it will not only sell cigarettes, but from which point it will mail its gift boxes to its servicemen.

Members of the Willys Unit are displeased with the state for its action in forcing the payment of the tax. One worker summed up the case by saying, "thousands of members of the Willys Unit have given thousands of dollars to send useful gifts to our boys in the service. We will not give one red cent to support Bricker's presidential ambitions."

Gift boxes sent by Willys Unit to their servicemen contain cigarettes, handkerchiefs, razor blades, soap, candy, cookies, pencils, flashlights, writing paper, envelopes and many other useful articles. Thousands of letters have come to the Unit from all parts of the world from servicemen thanking the Unit for its kindness and praising the utility of the gifts.

Incentive Inequities Corrected

WASHINGTON (FP)—Under a principle approved by the National War Labor Board May 26, inequities developing in a plant from adoption of an incentive pay plan may be corrected by payment of a bonus to workers not covered by the incentive provisions.

Workers in three plants of the Doehler Die Casting Co. at Toledo, Batavia, N. Y., and Pottstown, Pa., represented by the International Union of Mine Mill & Smelter Workers (CIO) will get a 5% bonus to cover inequities between their earnings and those of incentive workers.

About half of the 8000 workers are not under the incentive plan.

CIO Heads Invited To WMC Meet

Top CIO leaders and management have been asked to attend a meeting with the Toledo Community Manpower Utilization Committee in the Auditorium of Robinson Junior High, 1027 Grand Avenue, Tuesday, June 6, at 8:00 p. m.

The invitation has been issued by Ralph O. Snyder, Toledo Area Director of the War Manpower Commission, in an effort to bring about a greater realization of the critical manpower shortage in Toledo.

"The situation challenges our ingenuity and resourcefulness and a program to help meet this need will be offered at this meeting," Mr. Snyder stated.

"We ask that every employer and every influential labor representative cooperate now to make certain that Toledo meets war production quotas," Mr. Snyder declared.

Eight of the 35 members of the Toledo Community Manpower Utilization Committee are CIO leaders. They are Richard Gosser, Ruben Harper, Ralph Mason, Norman P. Meyers, Thomas N. Russell, Melvin Schultz, Frank Sido and William Wolover.

The committee is composed of leaders of labor, management, public and social agencies. City Manager George N. Schoonmaker is chairman.

Price Control Week Observed In 23 Cities

WASHINGTON—(FP) — At the request of organized labor, the CIO, AFL, Railroad Brotherhoods, consumer and cooperative groups, farmers and teachers, a total of 23 city governments have celebrated Price Control week to urge congres to reenact price control without weakening amendments.

The cities included New York, Los Angeles, Chicago, St. Louis, Toledo and Milwaukee, plus scores of smaller communities. The celebrations were held May 17-24.

UAW Holds West Coast Conference

LOS ANGELES, May 29 (FP) —Some 250 delegates, CIO officers and guests from all parts of the state met here at the first west coast education conference of the United Auto Workers (CIO).

Special panels discussed problems of publications, housing, consumers, shop stewards, minorities and discrimination, and women in industry. Delegates then came together in one large hall to hear hard-hitting talks by Regional Director George Roberts of the CIO Political Action Committee, UAW Educational Director William Levitt, President James Thimmes of the State CIO and Secretary Philip M. Connelly of the Los Angeles Council.

Main conclusion delegates took home with them was that labor's educational program must reach out beyond the ranks of local members to their friends and neighbors in the communities, to prospective union members in shops not yet organized, and even to the people who are not eligible for union membership.

PAC Meets Tuesday

There will be an important meeting of the CIO Political Action Committee at Local 12 headquarters Tuesday, June 6, at 8:00 p. m. All members of the committee are asked to attend.

By-laws will be presented for the approval, rejection or revision of the committee.

Organizational plans for the wards will be discussed by T Burke who has been activ the ward and township orga tional work.

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By Shorty Sager

STOP IT

This MESA outfit are more noted for their nuisance value than for any great contribution to the workers cause. The MESA doesn't have as many members in its entire organization as Local 12. This should indicate something, and it does. It indicates that the MESA hasn't got what the workers want or it would be a larger organizations.

Under the MESA, there would be no bidding system, because this organization doesn't have bidding in any of its contracts. There would be no "learner" system. If anyone can get a deal out of that kind of a set up, I wish they would let me know it.

As you may well imagine, the company is tickled to death to have the MESA messing around our shop. Anything that keeps the workers divided is a good deal for management, and our's is no exception to the general run. That's where the MESA's nuisance value cames in. It is like an ingrown hair, painful but not dangerous, just enough to cause irritation on the labor body.

And seniority, that would really look like something if the MESA had a chance to mess it up. Frankly, the organization ought to change its name to MESS, because they what it is and that's what it does with good union organizations wherever possible. It's about time to quit acting like children and boot this lousy outfit out on the ash heap where it belongs with the rest of the MESS.

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AROUND THE SHOP

Now that Rick Reeves is retiring as foreman in dept. 40, we are wondering who the boys will [illegible] their chickens, ducks, frogs and fish to.

[illegible] will certainly must have struck bad on payday, after Tinebody talked Bert Cousino into taking a day off.

Homer Wilgus will be glad to oblige any of the brothers who may have linoleum to be laid.

Bill Denman is the proud possessor of some duper-duper golf balls. Ask him for the details.

Clarence Fisher, after many months of trying finally is having a recap job done on his false choppers at a local garage.

Earl Smith, navy shipping, is the proud father of a baby boy. Not a big kid, but nice. Congrat to both Mr. & Mrs.

What a beautiful pair of manly shanks are shown by Abner Yokum. He is rolling his pants. Of Fo' Goodness Sakes!

Whom is Dale Reed getting revenge on? What nice long grandpaw whiskers he sports.

After playing basketball all winter without serious injury, Charlie Cramer dropped a chain and smashed a toe.

John Urban is back on the job after a 10-day sick spell.

Henry Consul is back in his second childhood since having his tonsils removed.

Bob Hockmuth, dept. 38 has been inducted into the Navy. Lots of luck and smooth sailing is our wish for Bob.

On The Surface

Tough luck—Scotty (Save the basement) Paskuski is suffering a broken bone injury in his knee as a result of a collision at a ball game a week ago Friday nite. Take it easy, Bunting Brass, good ball players are hard to find right now.

Unseen Members: Harry Van Alstine and Jack Henderson are two of our members of whom we see very little. Don't let anyone fool you, they're two guys that are holding up their end of the dial.

Vacations are now at hand—or they should be. The decision has not yet been returned, but keep your shirts on, boys, Rome wasn't built in a day (but the War Labor Board was).

The latest on the sick list are Eldon Duncan and Bill Englehard. Hope to see both of you back soon.

Several men have recently signed with our organization. Rumors are usually in the air, both good and bad. We're asking you new members to use your best judgment in deciding for yourselves as to the origin of such rumors. We hope we're not too far off when we say we will soon have a signed contract. That will be the answer to a lot of our troubles.

Mr. Degner must be getting hard up for arguments to use on Eddy Edwardson and the committee when he uses the matter of untidy bulletin boards. If he will furnish a man and material, we will consent to have our union publications put in a frame.

Surface Combustion unit wishes to extend its appreciation to Ollie Pecord and Local 12 for being able to hear on the air a regular program which gives the members a chance to learn labor's own side of the picture.

Valv-o-Lite

CHANGE

And now comes a change in personnel managers. Out goes Young, in comes Snyder. Wonder how long that will last.

Mr. Snyder seems to be a man of action. A new broom sweeps clean. As soon as the new manager arrived, the company began to bargain with the union. That never happened before.

Here's a problem. Management offers a vacation pay plan based on 48 and 96 hours set-up. In return, management asks a free hand in dealing with absenteeism is bad, whereas the vacation plan is good; but when it comes to the company disciplining the workers without union participation is too great a price to pay. That isn't bargaining, that's something else, and the company knows it, possibly even better than we do. At least we know it.

Very few grievances have been settled in the grievance meetings held at the Hillcrest Hotel. Too many of our grievances have been carried into arbitration, and arbitration, judging from our experience with it, stinks.

This reminds us of the animal which is commonly known as the Rocky Mountain canary, otherwise known as a Burro. The executive committee notified the management and asked it to subgest an arbitrator. The company did not comply with the request, so the executive committee suggested Judge Hurtz. The company refused the judge. Then the management was notified that Conciliation Service had been petitioned to appoint an impartial arbitrator. So, both the union and management have now been notified that the arbitrator has been named.

So, what did management do? It notified Conciliation Service that to its knowledge there were no grievances ready for arbitration. Talk about burros, or Rocky Mountain canaries. The other name for burro is jackass, and when anyone makes a jackass out of themselves, it means that they have taken the position of stubborn resistance which can't be explained. It just the nature of the burro.

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R & R Unit Noise

Don't forget our meeting June 4. It should be an interesting one, with the War Labor Board hearing to be discussed.

Vacation is from June the 30th to July the 10th. June the 29th, is the last day to work and July the 10th is the first day back.

Georgie Nenno is planning on joining one of our largest groups here, "The Beaudrys." She is engaged to Clarence Beaudry, one of Leo Senior's sons, who at present is in Uncle Sam's Army.

Lorna Reichert her padding the floor with sawdust still hits it pretty hard and often. Whassamatter Lorna, won't that darn floor stay where it belongs?

Freddie Lemerand tied a bow with a towel the other day and holding it up to his collar he asked who he looked like, Sinatra or Dagwood. Should we tell Frieddie who he looks like?

Howy Routson's mouth dropped open the other morning when he received a couple of checks representing prizes from the "Toledo Manufacturing Bowling Tournament."

Looks like the Cutwells "dood it" again. Next year, the Cutwells are going to get a licking if they try to "dood it" in our regular league.

We lost one of our Committee, Frances Jacob. Seems like Fran has started knitting little things and Joe is designing a baby crib.

Willys Seeing Eye

MORE BOWLERS?

They tell us that Bro. Teatsorth has inherited a set of weak knees from bowling. It seems that Bro. George has a most peculiar ball. It takes two alleys for him to start it and it is called a back up fall off gutter ball, and every time he delivers it he bends his knees and waves his arms wind mill fashion just as though all that exertion would knock the pins over even if the ball was in the gutter. Try it some time, it's great exercise but no good for knees.

Howard (G) Rediger is another whiz bang on the alleys. At times he bowled on the left side and the next time on the right and then again it might be a center ball. He has an awful good spinner now that is famous for hitting the gutter 10 feet in front of the head pin. He has as much speed as molasses running out of a barrel on a cold winter's day.

Poppy Hess is another hasbeen on the alleys. There is one thing we can say about him, he very seldom rolls them in the gutter. He is more famous for sliding them off the bar.

George (Cracker) Furlong is famous for his hook-ball. It has often been said if the alleys were wider and longer the ball would make a complete circle and come back to the sender. All he needs is someone to tell him how to control it.

Bro. Cooper of the welfare committee is another who rolls big scores in practice games. But in league he is better at the bottle poole than at rolling high scores.

DICK GOSSER

We wonder how many of our new members, who are being taken into our union daily, know about brother Dick Gosser and the work that he has done to make this union what it is today. Many of these new members never before worked in a closed shop and do not realize the privileges and benefits they receive as a result of working in one. This was one of the gains brought about through the tireless efforts of Brother Gosser.

We should like to take a few minutes to lay before you just a few of the advances in strength our union has obtained through Brother Dick's work. One is the idea he explained to us and sold us on, the idea of sending the boys and girls in military service boxes filled with the things they can use and the things which they enjoy the most; the idea of sending them a part of the home they left behind.

We can see now, that these boxes have given much happines and great satisfaction to so many; as well as spread the idea of the importance of trade unions. We send our union papers with the boxes and thus keep these brothers and sisters informed of the things we are doing to help guarantee that their jobs will be waiting for them when they come home. It worked out just as Brother Gosser pointed out to us that it would.

We owe Dick Gosser a vote of thanks to show our gratitude for his unfailing efforts towards better unionism. We know how much of his time and health he gave for you, our working people. We know too, of the improvement in our working conditions that he brought about.

Show Brother Gosser that we appreciate his work in the numerous ways that we know you can. Become an active union member. Help to carry on his work. Believe in his principles and keep those boxes outward bound from your Local. Continue to give to the service man's fund. Join one of the many standing committees. Register so that you can give us your vote in November. Join the Political Activity Committee by calling Brother Myers on 688.

Show by these methods that you do appreciate Brother Dick Gosser's work and that you wish to help in every was possible to further our union cause. We hope that you, like us, are thankful for men like him; who fight for you and the rights of labor.

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We finally found out how Chuck Heebsh got that rubber girdle he bowled in all season. He's on the advisory board of the OPA. See him about it you girls of 308. While speaking of 308, let's see if we can meet that blond individual at the end of the table, second shift. Could be we'll rue the day but who can tell.

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Daily sights around 605 department, second shift: Joe Karnokowski chewing his cud for all he's worth . . . Irene Olejniczak wiping the sweat from her brown as she stews over the threaders . . . Tommy Piasecki swinging by with an Irish Jig, or maybe it's a polka . . . Stella Nitz back again swinging that old hammer as she stamps away. . . . Essie Moore strolling around with her flashlight in her hand, sort of grinning maliciously at the oil in the machines . . . Jimmy Smith searching all over for that darn card again, grinning too cause she knows it's there, somewhere . . . Curly Biggins forever threatening to bite people, guess we'll just have to overlook it though cause he's a cronic case, can't be cured they say . . . Danny Sherman turning on that hidden charm of his whenever a beaut goes by . . . Emerson Hahn smiling at people in general . . . Ralph Offenburg drinking milk.

The Waggin' Tongue of Local 12

YES, INDEED!

The officers of Local 12 are experienced men—advisers, all of them. How many of us ask for advice? Most of us are too self-centered, thinking only of our own pleasures, not of the benefit the next fellow will derive. Are you the fellow who is never wrong? So smug and sure of yourself? If you are, wise up, fella.

It is revealing to our intelligence to have to be told to respect our officers, committeemen and stewards. We should have learned this principle a long time ago. After all, we did elect these people to "walk the plank" for us, didn't we?

TWO-PARTY LINE

Cutting in on a party line we heard that Steve Michalski is spending his tenth year at the Auto-Lite.

Miss Sophia Pankrantz of Champion owns a cottage out on River Road and is already sporting a swell sun tan.

Mrs. Schultz' boy, Melvin, was offering excuses for not being able to come out and play. (Mel set his alarm clock for an early hour one Sunday morn, then slept and slept while the alarm rang and rang. Results: One foursome reduced to threesome to play up to par.)

And that: It is possible but not probable that Air-Way will ever have an indoor team half as good as the teams of 1927-28, which won 13 out of 14 starts in 1928. The only game lost was to the Buckeye Welders by the score of 1-0, and then it was on a home run to right field which looked a foul ball, but the ump was blind and called it fair. They wuz robbed! They even trounced that famous professional female team at Swayne Field. Remember?

DON'T ASK US

Why the people who reside in Michigan pay no sales tax on things they purchase in Ohio, yet Ohioans are required to pay Ohio Sales Tax to Ohio on articles bought in Michigan? (Maybe Michigan doesn't belong to the United States.)

Whose dog had five pups recently?

Why Governor Dewey will run for the President's job, just like the Maumee River runs into Swan Creek, if FDR chooses to retain his seniority on that job?

Or why the membership of 12 says such nice things about us? (The guy who writes this column must be another Ernie Pyle.)

O.K.! O.K.! Wipe that opinion off your face! We were only trying to get your reactions.

Auxiliary News

Auxiliary 58 is sponsoring a Card Party Sunday, June 4th in Parlor 'C' on the second floor of Local 12. The time is 5 P. M. to 10 P. M. and the tickets are 35c apiece. We hope to see all of our friends at this party. The Committee in charge of the Card Party consists of Agnes Rosinski—Prizes; Lois Mattox—Tickets; Ethel Swinehart and Margaret Burkhart—Publicity.

Have you seen our handwork display in the Union Labels Store? We have some new and useful things for sale. Stop in and see us on Monday and Wednesday evenings.

All wives, mothers, sisters and daughters of Local 12 members are eligible to join the Auxiliary. We hold meetings on the 2nd and 4th Tuesdays of the month in Parlor "I" on the fourth floor of Local 12. We urge all women interested to come to our next meeting, June 13th, at 8 P. M. An interesting program has been planned and we feel sure that you will profit by attending.

Canco (1) Opener

By Ted Modrowski

PEOPLE ASK WHY—

This writer can't get to work on time. Well folks it's a wonder he comes at all. You know it isn't the most pleasant place to work.

Frances Kowalkowski swoons when that certain gent for the personnel office comes up to the Dept. Is he the reason for the many new hair styles Frances?

The night foreman is getting generous with forced vacations in Dept. 1. That method does not cure, but it sure does create.

Dorothy Graves and Phyllis Hoffbauer don't apologize for some of their corny gags. That's the spirit!

The timekeepers never received a decent wage and never made a fuss over it—till now. The people we have as timekeepers today have a keen desire to be paid with more than those empty promises of the past.

PATRIOTISM—

Every laboring American today is doing all he possibly can to bolster his patriotism, be it with War Bond purchases or working long hours, he is in there doing his share.

We feel that we have reached our limit on the home front and must turn to industry for help. We all wish to be more patriotic, and we at Canco seek the help of management to accomplish this. All they need do is increase our earning power so we can purchase more War Bonds and pay more taxes. This is a direct aid, financially, to our country and to the war effort.

To stop here would not suffice. It would be necessary for the whole of the American Can Company along with the rest of organized industry to put the necessary pressure to bear on Washington for real price control measures. Surely the N. A. M. would be effective in demanding the revision of something they themselves had formulated.

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Tennessee Farmers Organize

MONTEAGLE, Tenn.—(FP)—Organized farmers of Summerfield became the first local of the Natl. Farmers Union in Tennessee when they received their charter from CIO Regional Director Paul R. Christopher at a farmer-labor meeting at Highlander Folk School here.

OWI Releases "Negro Soldier"

NEW YORK — (FP) — The OWI has released The Negro Soldier, film short, for 16 mm showings at union and community meetings. The film traces the role of the Negro soldier in all the wars engaged in by the U. S. from the Boston massacre of 1775 to the present war.

Champion Sparklets

If at first you don't succeed—anyhoo, Florence Wright of department L hopes to make a go of matrimony this time. We hope so too. Best of luck to a nice gal.

Karl Noe and Joe Jankowski really earned their wings this week. Ceremony and presentation of wings to take place next week.

Who is it on visual inspection that smells so pretty all the time? We'd guess that it is Coty's. How about it Avanell?

Our night committeeman expects to be a papa for the second time just about any time now. Twins are expected. Well, after all, why not?

Best wishes are in order for Mary Carpenean who was married May 22nd. Here's wishing you loads of happiness, Mary.

Our deepest sympathy goes to our fellow worker Lou Shondell, operator in department A, whose brother was reported missing in action. Our hearts go out also to his stricken mother.

Here's hoping that Clara Parent who is recuperating from an operation in Toledo Hospital will be on the road of health soon.

Time: A beautiful Sunday afternoon.

Scene: New York City. Forty-second Street.

Joe Tomaszewski, our ex-committeeman, is walking along the busiest street in the world, in the busiest city in the world and runs into Mel Reject and Ted Kilisz, who are in service also. Talk about coincidence! What a reunion! They spent the night together.

Too many of you seem to have gathered the idea that as long as you pay a fine, it is not necessary to attend a unit meeting. Such is far from being the case. After all, the Union is not a mythical machine which pulls rabbits out of hats. The Union is YOU; you and your fellow workers banded together for a better way of life. You are an important part of this work and your aid and sincere support are needed. Come down to the unit meetings and get acquainted with your fellow workers and see what is being done. The ones who come to meetings are not the ones who criticize because they know that the work of bettering working conditions is steadily going on.

If nothing else you may win the war bond. That's worth a trip to 425 Winthrop Street isn't it?

Department L can boast of a faithful stewardess. She cut her week-end trip short just so she could attend the important Contract meeting May 21st. Mental orchids to you Rose Rager. We're glad to know some do realize the importnace of these meetings.

Which final inspector from department L danced with an embalmer all evening recently? Any bad effects young lady?

Wonder if Vera Rechtine has found what she has been looking for. Our curiosity has the best of us.

John Byrd says he doesn't have to comb his hair now because he got a hair cut. What has that got to do with it, John?

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The Acklinite

By Lewis Mattox

Some important decisions were made at our unit meeting May 28. A recommendation that we support the CIO Political Action Committee was passed unanimously. This was supplemented by the following decisions: (1) That we send wires to Congress and the State Legislature on all bills which affect labor; (2) That we support the candidates friendly to labor, regardless of their party affiliation; (3) That we request each member of the Unit to join the CIO Political Action Committee.

In the old open shop days a foreman was liable to pat a worker on the back for any number of reasons. One could be that the worker cut the foreman's lawn or gave his kids presents on Christmas. In some cases certain workers did more than their share because the boss did not favor them. Often two workers doing the same work got different rates of pay. If anyone objected they were told to get out before they were thrown out.

That was the red apple club. It was dissolved and buried when the people woke up and joined unions. A union, particularly the UAW, is set up along the lines of the U. S. Constitution. All of our officers are elected by the membership, assuring the members an opportunity through such democratic elections to secure a square

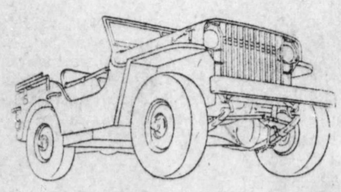
Eisenhower Salutes Clothing Workers

NEW YORK — (FP) — Gen. Dwight Eisenhower, in a message from England, saluted the men and women who clothe America. Replying to a telegram from the Amalgamated Clothing Workers (CIO) convention pledging to back the coming invasion, Eisenhower said:

"On behalf of the men and women in command, I thank your convention for its encouraging message of confidence. I thank you too for the pledge to continue to produce and supply our needs without interruption. This is the spirit which is needed to bring victory."

PLEASE SIGN!

When you are asked to sign a petition to congress to enact an adequate Price Control Act, do so. Better still, write a letter to your congressmen and United States senators asking them to oppose crippling amendments which would make the act ineffective and cost you money.



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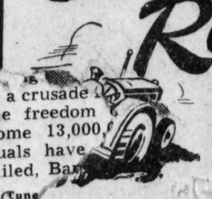

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Ohio Sales Tax

Action of the Ohio Sales Tax Division in forcing payment of the sales tax by Willys-Overland Unit of Local 12 on cigarettes purchased out of the state brings the state sales tax to the front for further public inspection.

Supported by an opinion from the attorney-general, the Ohio Sales Tax Division has refused to exempt the Willys Unit from payment of the tax, despite the fact that the cigarettes were not purchased for sale, but were sent, together with other articles, to Willys servicemen scattered all over the world.

In view of the constantly increasing surplus which continues to pile up in the state treasury, it seems a pity that the patriotic giving of thousands of Willys workers should be subjected to taxation.

There certainly should be some provision in the sales tax law which would permit Willys Unit and other organizations which send gift boxes to servicemen to continue their work without penalizing the boys and girls in uniform. It is our belief that the tax was never intended for such a purpose.

Placing a penalty upon thousands of workers who donate their money to send gift boxes to 2500 or more members of the armed forces from Willys-Overland is carrying the state sales tax to its most absurd point. If the tax did anything for the servicemen, its imposition would not be resented; but no one profits, save the politically-minded presidential aspirant, Governor John Bricker.

No tax should ever be allowed to accumulate such a surplus as that which has been permitted under Governor Bricker, and the surplus is growing. It's about time for the people of Ohio to make an issue of the sales tax surplus and demand that this money be made available for the political subdivisions; for the maintenance of essential public municipal services and retirement of public debts, and for the maintenance of our school system and increasing the salaries of our most important people, the teachers, whose salaries are a disgrace to a state which calls itself civilized.

In the face of the surplus which now exists and which treatens to continue to pile up any increasing accumulation, the sales tax should not only be cut, but be removed from some articles which are now taxed. This is an issue on which both political parties should be queried, an issue which must be soon settled to the satisfaction of the majority of the people of Ohio.

Labor's Weapon

R. J. Thomas labeling of Henry Bridges proposal that labor give up its right to strike after the war and "indefinitely" as "ridiculous and defeatist" will meet with the approval of the vast majority of the Auto Workers.

Despite unfavorable publicity, editorials and magnifying of wildcat strikes during the war, the UAW-CIO has adhered to its no-strike pledge even in the face of provocations and irritations which have been visited upon it by its enemies.

To go into the postwar period with its arms tied by a continuation of the no-strike pledge would be to invite disaster and a breakdown of the unions. President Thomas labeling of the Bridges proposal was an understatement. To give up the right to strike indefinitely would be suicidal.

Nor did President Thomas label the motive which he must have suspected lies behind Harry Bridges anxiety to eliminate strikes after the war. In the face of Harry Bridges past, when he led strikes by the score, there must be some underlying reason why this former militant has turned tame cat.

Perhaps the complexion of Bridges political convictions might be the explanation for his willingness to use his influence to get labor to go into the postwar period with its hands tied behind his back. But whatever the reason may be, the vast majority of the workers of this country do not agree with him and will prove their disagreement when the war has been finished.

The strike weapon is one which labor does not use lightly. Strikes are costly to both the strikers and management and should be avoided whenever possible. On the other hand, what other recourse does labor have when dealing with management when the latter is insincere and lacking in good faith?

It's a sad sight indeed to see a labor leader developing into a potential threat to the labor movement because his organization has changed its "line."

What's New?

By Edward Duck,
Educational Director, Local 12

Edward Duck

NOTHING LIKE IT!

"Employes shall have the right to self organization, to form, join, or assist labor organizations, to bargain collectively through representatives of their own choosing, and to engage in concerted activities, for the purpose of collective bargaining or other mutual aid or protection."

The above quotation from the National Labor Relations Act is the most important paragraph written into the laws of our government during the past fifty years. It clearly and briefly outlines the thoughts in the minds of Senator Robert Wagner and his colleagues who successfully campaigned for this legislation.

It is self evident that millions of industrial workers would have remained in a state of semi-peonage and social insecurity if they were not afforded the legal guarantee that it is lawful to organize and unlawful to prevent organization of workers, either by threat, discrimination or coercion of any kind.

SELFISH CONTROL

Social and economic gains have been obtained through organization. Even Labor's enemies admit this publicly. They are afraid of the postwar period because they know that further gains will be made.

Senator Wagner did not fight for this legislation so that selfish groups could control the workingman. Yet Senator Wagner, with his broad experience and association with the problems of the workers and their organizations, certainly knew that individuals other than industrial tycoons have exploited the wage earner.

Today, seven thousand people are waiting for their contract to be negotiated with their employer, but the employer refuses to negotiate wih their committee until it settles its own internal disorder, brought about because of the desire of certain people to change the procedure established by the rank and file membership at a duly conducted meeting.

UNIT MONEY SQUANDERED

In the meantime these people have necessitated the calling of a special meeting of the membership, involving an expenditure of one hundred sixty dollars simply because of the ambition of a few selfish individuals who write anonymous letters to this paper and have not the intestinal fortitude to sign their names to these letters, which contain nothing less than a conglomeration of falsehoods and misstatements.

Those who are guilty know whom I am referring to, and their names would appear in this column if it were permissible to list them. However, if the workers will turn out at this specially called meeting they will have their eyes opened as never before, and I am not forgetting that day in February when their "protector" was left speechless in Moose Hall.

I am willing at this time, more than ever before, to meet these restroom orators and their stooges, one and all, before the rank and file membership, in open debate on the question of their record against that of those they are seeking to persecute. And as for the super-ambitious opportunist who seeks to usurp the post of vice chairman, which rightfully belongs to a Polish lad who had the courage to run for the job, I can only state that his record would make excellent fodder for Westbrook Pegler, and if the membership is interested in hearing what I mean, they can do so by attending this meeting.

Those who are a part of the selfish and diabolical campaign to unseat the chairman because he interferes with their plan of ignoring the wishes of the unit body will do well to remember that the UAW-CIO constitution sets up a procedure for settling union problems without taking them up with the management of the company.

CRISIS AT HAND

I want to predict here and now that the future of this plant's workers depends on the action taken within the next three days. It behooves every worker in that plant to come to the meeting and hear the truth. They'll be shocked, and that's for sure, unless, of course, a selfish minority is successful in gagging the opposition, including the chairman, and blindfolding the membership, in order to maintain political control and all that goes with it!

"IT'S A RAFFLE, THE WINNER GETS A SEAT ON THE BUS IN THE MORNING!"

It's News To Me

By O. J. Pecord

DEFENSE OF PATTON

Friends, Americans and countrymen. I rise to defend a man whose record, in the daily press, perhaps with the Army, and certainty with Congress ,smells to the high heavens.

This man, and I wouldn't know him if he slapped me in the face the same as he did a shell shocked soldier in Italy, has, for all his faults, one saving virtue. He speaks the truth, the whole truth, and nothing but the truth so help him God.

Ollie Pecord

Despite my knowledge of psychopathy, I do not intend to try and explain Lt. General Patton on the grounds that he himself was suffering from shock when he cuffed a soldier around. No doubt the general was irritated into some sort of a psychosis; but I am going to disregard the slapping incident and get down to cases.

TELLS THE TRUTH

Specifically, I would like to call attention to the fact that the Senate Military Affairs Committee refused to give its confirmation to the elevation of General Patton to the permanent rank of major general.

Immediately, the press went to work on Patton.

Did the press say that General Patton was refused an advancement in rank because he had slapped the face of an Army private? Of course not. The papers merely mentioned that episode briefly, just in case the public had forgotten that General Patton had blown his top in the midst of a nerve-racking military campaign. What the press did say was, that General Patton had failed to be elevated because of his remarks made in England.

And what did General Patton say in England that outweighed what he had done in the military campaigns in Sicily and Italy? He merely lived up to the admonition given to all Army officers and gentlemen—he hold the truth, the plain, unvarnished, blunt truth.

In a speech made before a group in England, General Patton merely said, that when this war was over, the United States, England, and, as an afterthought, added Russia, would rule the world.

Immediately, General Patton found himself on the front pages of the world's newspapers. Papers ranging all the way from Pravda to the Perkins Corners Weekly Gazette featured General Patton's speech. He made the headlines and the doghouse at the same time.

INDISCREET

Common consensus of opinion (jornalistic and diplomatic) was that General Patton was guilty or being indiscreet. Certainly he was guilty, because he told the truth, and nobody has denied his statement.

Secretary of State Hull must have had a very red face. Even the President must have been provoked. Big business men shook their heads. Members of the Senate Military Affairs Committee disapproved. And was all this furore, shaking of heads, clucking of togues and horrification of Washington due entirely to General Patton's indiscreet remarks? Of course it wasn't. It was because the general had spoken the naked truth.

WAR AIMS

What are our war aims? Do you really know? Are we swallowing all we are told by the Office of War Information and other government agencies, or are we going to believe General Patton?

Certainly, we say we are fighting for democracy, to liberate the people of Europe from the hell of Naziism, to establish the high sounding principles of the almost-forgotten Atlantic Charter, and in general, to carry the torch of freedom, liberty and democracy to the whole world.

Maybe we thing we are idealists, perhaps most of us are; but don't forget, this is not a world governed by ideals; but a world of human beings governed by human needs, emotions, craving for power, prestige and pelf. This is a practical world in which trade and commerce, and tariffs, and markets and cartels play an important, if not the most important part.

Do you think that General Patton was telling the truth when he told his English listeners that England, the United States and Russia were going to rule the world?

Do you recall Winston Churchll remarking that he did not become premier of England to preside over the demise of the British Empire.

Do you see Russia flirting with the capitalistic nations, while in our own country Earl Browder blesses free enterprise?

Do all these things add up? You're darned right they do, and they spell the future of this best of all possible worlds, a future in which there might even be a possible falling out of the three nations as they scramble for power and trade in the markets of the world.

Finally, I say to congress, and it won't even hear my voice, "give General Patton his advancement, give him his stars and his command, give him all he has earned as a military man. Then, having rewarded the general for services well done, go one step further and award him the Congressional Medal of Honor. Give him this medal, not for bravery and courage, not for his admitted military accomplishments, but because he dared to tell the truth about our war aims."

Editors' Mail

Appreciates Journal

Dear Sir:

I want to thank you very much for sending me the UNION JOURNAL. I really and truly enjoy it, and sure read a lot about fellows I used to know especially some of the workers at Champion.

I have been flat on my back for the past 35 days at the station hospital and am being transfered to a general hospital in Georgia next week.

This isn't much of a letter, but you know what I mean. Thanks a lot for sending me the TOLEDO UNION JOURNAL. I sure wish I was back with the swell gang of fellows at the Champion and also in Toledo.

Sincerely,
Pvt. Walter Biegala,
A-13 Station Hospital,
Camp Rucker, Ala.

P. S. If you have a couple of extra line in the Champion Sparklets," will you please say hello to the swell gang at the Champion Spark Plug for me.

Editor's Note: We will not only say hello for you; but we'll give them a pat on the back, because it was this "swell gang" who sent you the paper.

She's Agin Us

Dear Sir:

Please quit sending the TOLEDO UNION JOURNAL PAPERS to Mary Jane ———. She is living with her brother now and doesn't believe in the CIO UNIONS. Mary Jane told the Post office in Toledo she didn't want the papers anymore. If she receives any more, will have to take other steps to stop them. She no longer belongs to the CIO union. Mary Jane wants NO MORE PAPERS and she means it.

(Signed)
For MARY JANE.

Note Of Thanks

Dear Sir:

This is a note of "Thanks" to the Willys-Overland Plant Protection and especially to Captain Winchell and Danny Napp.

The other evening, a very serious situation occured at the Auto-Lite and the Overland immediately came to our rescue.

Thank you, gentlemen, from Kenneth O'Brien, executive Committeeman and Walter Seymour, Steward, the entire Executive Committee and the entire Auto Lite.

It is indeed a pleasure to associate with men of your calibre. It is the finest exemple of cooperation that I have ever had of experiencing.

Fraternally yours,
Kenneth O'Brien,
Ex. Committeeman
Walter Seymour, Steward
Milton Toby, Supervisor of
Plant No. 20—Auto Lite.

On The Beam

By Clayton W. Fountain

NO STRIKE PLEDGE

The main trouble with the no-strike pledge is that too many people have snatched it up as a club to be used in beating out labor's brains.

Clayton W. Fountain

Since we first committed ourselves to a policy of not striking for the duration of the war, the enemies of labor have been quick to take unfair advantage of our unarmed condition.

They have deliberately provoked trouble so as to be able to point the finger of blame at us. They have knocked us down and kicked us in the teeth. And when, bloody and battered, we have fought back just a little here and there, have branded us as saboteurs and helpers of Hitler.

I think it is high time that we of labor did an honest job of re-thinking our policy on the no-strike pledge.

This is strictly a personal opinion, but it is my belief that the present interpretation of the no-strike pledge is both cockeyed and injurious to the war effort.

SIMPLE FACTS

Let's just look closely at a few of the simple facts in the case.

The public has been led to believe that the no-strike pledge is a unilateral commitment by organized labor not to strike for any reason for the duration of the war.

This is a cockeyed interpretation of the facts and motives involved in the making of the pledge.

The no-strike pledge is in fact an agreement not to strike under certain conditions. Those conditions are two-fold: First, that employers abstain from belligerence in labor relations during the war emergency; and second, that the government provide orderly means of adjusting labor disputes on basis of equity and fair dealing.

WALL OF HISTORY

To define the no-strike pledge in any other way is to butt one's head against the cold, hard wall of history.

This is what I mean: If conditions in America were such that labor suffered no major injustices, and if we could see ahead of us a clear, smooth road to a better democratic life — then we could justifiably commit ourselves not to strike for any reason.

But the facts of history are that this is a war against Fascism. And Fascism is not a German beast nor a Japanese monster. It is a revolt of the aristocrats, autocrats and plutocrats against the growing democratic power of the common people.

It is the Fascist elements in America which want to destroy the labor unions, because the unions are the advance guard of the popular democratic governments which fight for the rights and interests of the common people.

SOFT ANSWERS

You cannot fight Fascism with turned cheeks and soft answers. American Fascism has not pledged itself not to attack democracy for the du attack democracy for the duration. In fact, the reactionary employers, publishers and politicians have not pledged themselves to keep their teeth out of labor's throat, either.

That is why the workers have found it impossible to keep what is misinterpreted as a unilateral pledge not to strike during the war.

I move that we amend the no-strike pledge so as make it atripartite no-strike agreement, with industry committed not to attack the unions, and with the government authorized to crack down on employers who violate the terms of the agreement.

Then we could prevent strikes, and get on with the job of smashing Fascism abroad and to home.

Flag Day

President Roosevelt has asked in a proclamation that on Flag Day, June 14, the people of the nation honor especially the members of the armed forces, whose unfaltering devotion to our national ideals, he said, has given the nation's flag a new and hopeful meaning for those struggling against oppresion in lands still held by our enemies.

Regional Views

By Richard Gosser, Director,
Region 2B, UAW-CIO

YOUR DUTY

Your duty, my duty, every member's duty, is to work to make his or her union a better organization.

Often there is a difference of opinion among members on points which they believe will make the union a stronger and better organization. This is to be expected, in fact, it is necessary, for only by such differences of opinion can we arrive at a good solution for our problems and make progress.

Richard Gosser

In duscussing our organization, I have said that International representatives who work out of Region 2-B are expected to carry out the policies of my office. I would like to say further, that the policies of the regional office are not exactly my policies, but those of the International Union as expressed in the UAW Constitution and in the decisions of the Executive Board between conventions.

Should it so happen that my policies conflict with those of the UAW Constitution or the decision of the International Executive Board, then I am guilty of infractions for which I, like any member of the Union may be tried, and, if found guilty, expelled from the union or disciplined.

THE REASON

My reason for expressing these things is because it seems to be the opinion of some of our members, that the regional director is a person apart and that he makes his own rules. This is not true. No regional director, no officer of the union, regardless how high his position may be, can set aside the constitution of the union, or refuse to go along with the majority decision of the Executive Board. He is more closely bound by the constitution than the rank and file member, for he occupies a more conspicuous position.

There is no point in members arguing with me about matters of International policy such as the no strike pledge or other points upon which the membership has spoken in convention, or on which the Executive Board has ruled between conventions.

And why isn't there any point in arguing with me? Well, I am just like the worker who wants to argue. I am only one person. I do not have any more votes than he does when we both attend the convention as delegates, I do not have any more voice, perhaps, if he is a good talker, not as much voice.

What is true of conventions is also true of Executive Board meetings. I am just one board member. I hold only so many votes. I have but one voice. The best I can hope to do, in conventions, or in board meetings, is to try and influence others to see things from my point of view and agree with me to the point of being willing to support my position with their voices and votes.

NO AGREEMENT

I want to assure every member of the union who reads this that there are parts of our constitution which I would like to see changed. There are rulings made by the Executive Board which I have voted against, nevertheless, I, as a member of the Board, am duty bound to carry out my obligation to my union and observe both the letter and spirit of the constitution and Executive Board orders. To do less, is to be guilty of infidelity and a breach of faith with those who have chosen me to represent them.

Regardless of your opinion or mine on some of the things to which we must adhere as members of the UAW-CIO, we both must be true to our obligations as members and officers of our union.

The Story Of The UAW-CIO

By Melvin M. Schultz
President Local 12, UAW-CIO

Before The Union

The Automotive Industry is the greatest industry in the 20th century. The huge amount of machinery, the number of employees and the amazing performance of its product, make it a great industry.

Melvin Schultz

Such an industry effects the lives and welfare of more than one million workers who are directly engaged in it. Such an industry should be a great social institution, but prior to the organization of the UAW, the automotive industry was a far cry from a social institution.

The owners of the industry made huge profits indeed, but the wages of the workers were low, their work seasonal and insecure. Workers were also subjected to speed up methods and a worker of 40 years of age was considered a worn out has been.

THE SPY SYSTEM

Almost all big employers, and in particular Henry Ford, hired professional spies to ferret out any beginning of organization. Workers suspected of being sympathetic to the idea of a union were promptly paid off.

Although the bosses objected to organization for the workers, they certainly reaped the benefits of organized action themselves. As a result of the interlocking coordination between the Chamber of Commerce and the National Association of Manufacturers, it was possible to build such a perfect black system that a worker fired in one plant on suspicion of union sympathies found it impossible job in any auto plant in the

EARLY ORGANIZATION

As we pointed out (earlier, the AFL could do very little for the auto workers, because they represented only the skills and organized these into separate uncoordinated internationals. Yet it was within the framework of the A.F.L. that a start towards organizing the auto workers had to be made.

Not until 1913 when the auto industry was 13 years old was this start made, and a poor start it was. The Carriage and Wagon Workers Union of the AFL tacked the name Automobile onto their title and started signing up auto workers.

To be continued.

News and Gossip of Stage and Screen

Powell, Small Towner, Made Big City Success

Playing This Week at Esquire

Dick Powell is one of the few Hollywood stars who can boast that he has played as many straight dramatic and comedy roles in pictures as he has singing roles. All that Dick asks of a producer is a good, fat, juicy part; whether it calls for him to air his larnyx or not makes no difference to him.

His present role in Rene Clair's "It Happened Tomorrow" calls for fantastic comedy playing throughout and Dick sinks his teeth right into it. Co-starring with him in this Arnold Pressburger Production are Linda Darnell and Jack Oakie. The film is being released by United Artists and is now running at the Esquire Theatre.

Dick Powell

Dick is a small-town boy who always had a fair-weather eye on the big city. As a kid he sang in the choir and was called upon by clubwomen whenever they wanted an entertainer. Although he was born in the hillbilly town of Mt. View, he migrated to Little Rock, Ark. (then the center of the universe to him) when he got a job at the telephone company.

While working here he got an [illegible]t; her to sing with a concert or[illegible]ey stra in Louisville, Kentucky. T[illegible] recalls that he had a hard [illegible]est ne making up his mind whether to stick with the telephone company or go with the orchestra. The telephone company paid more money at the time, which was a substantial reason for his hesitation.

He chose the orchestra and also took a part-time job singing in a theatre to enlarge the bankroll. This was a master stroke on Dick's part, for the public liked him and he soon became master of ceremonies at the theatre. He gave up concert singing, and, in his spare time, became a popular vocalist on various radio programs instead.

From being what he jokingly refers to as "the toast of Louisville," Dick went to Pittsburgh, enjoyed undreamed of success and then was grabbed up by Hollywood for first motion picture role in "Blessed Event," for Warner Brothers. This initial film role was followed by the greatest deluge of fan mail ever to hit the studio, and an immediate long term contract.

Dick's favorite sports are golf, riding and swimming, and he recognizes a good contract bridge hand when he sees it. Oddly enough he can play with little effort almost every type of orchestral instrument, although no member of his family had any musical sense whatsoever. Before Pearl Harbor, Dick went in for boating at Newport Beach, but his sailing craft has now turned over to the coast guard.

Seen On A Hollywood Movie Set

HOLLYWOOD — Screen buckaroo Freddie Gilman has ridden wild horses, bucking bronchos, wild steers and even a zebra in his quarter century before the cameras. He is one of the most expert riders in Western pictures.

Recently he got the shock of his life.

Notified that he was cast as a desert chieftain in "Lost in a Harem" with Abbott and Costello, he was made up, costumed, and conducted to the set. "You'll have a thrill," promised Director Charles F. Riesner. "Something you've never done before."

Gilman looked at the set, inspected the picketed horses, then the camels behind them.

"You mean I gotta ride a camel? he demanded.

"No," said Riesner, handing him a sheet of paper. "You don't ride anything. You take this sheet of music, and SING!"

Lacy Chassis

KATHERINE BOOTH is not tatoed. Those fancy designs are part of the tight black trousers (!) worn by her in her first M-G-M picture, 'Two Girls And a Sailor," playing this week at Loew's Valentine Theater.

Stars Are Political Hit In California

LOS ANGELES, May 19 (FP) — Hollywood's double feature venture into politics brought excellent notices from California voters in the May 16 primaries.

In dual roles of candidates and campaigners, the glamour boys and girls of movieland were in there pitching with united organized labor in the long, strenuous drive which finally led to victory.

Among the victorious labor-backed candidates were Helen Gahagan Douglas, actress wife of Melvyn Douglas, who won the Democratic nomination for Congress in the 14th district; Albert Dekker, who won the Democratic nomination for state assembly in the 57th district; and Lucille Gleason, wife of Jimmy Gleason, who won the Democratic nomination for state assembly in the 59th district.

The campaign preceding primary day saw big names like Olivia De Havilland, Rita Hayworth, Martha Scott, Gloria Stuart, Gene Kelly, Rex Ingram and others step right off the screen and take to the platform and microphone to plug for candidates.

WLB Overrules Detroit Board

WASHINGTON, May 22 (FP). —The National War Labor Board May 16 reversed its regional board in Detroit to uphold the right of management to punish workers who strike in violation of a contract.

In a case involving 41 employes of the Norge Machine Products division of Borg-Warner Corp. at Muskegon, the WLB cancelled the regional board's order that the company reinstate the workers who struck in protest against the company's refusal to discharge an employe against whom grievances had been filed by the United Auto Workers (AFL).

Although the 41 were denied specific reinstatement, the WLB said they could apply for reinstatement as new employes or on any basis the management may determine.

Congress Investigates Ward Seizure

WASHINGTON (FP)—A special house committee opened investigation of the seizure of Montgomery Ward's Chicago plant. Despite Republican attempts to turn the hearings into an attack on the National War Labor Board, testimony showed up Ward's refusal to bargain with the union as the root of the trouble.

NEW "MAISIE" ON WAY

Filming "Maisie Goes to Reno, starring Ann Sothern, finished May 20th. Marking the seventh of the popular series, the cast included John Hodiak, Martha Linden, Paul Cavanaugh, Ava Gardner and Tom Drake. The latest of the Maisie adventures was directed by Harry Beaumont, produced by George Haight.

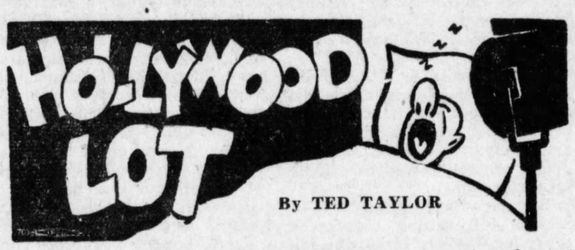
STAR RATES SWIM POOL

All movie stars rate separate dressing rooms, but Esther Williams is probably the first to be given her own studio swimming pool.

So that she may rehearse swimming routines for a Technicolor spectacle, "Ziegfeld Follies," M-G-M has refurnished its "saucer tank" for Esther's personal use.

Right In His Lap

RED SKELTON thinks up gags so fast he needs a typewriter and a stenog, Mitzie Uehlein by name. Oh, to be a boss like this — but it happened at M-G-M when Red was filming "Bathing Beauty."



HOLLYWOOD (FP)—An all-Negro air show broadcast to American troops overseas is one of the three most popular shows on the army's shortwave schedule. It is Jubilee, tops after Mail Call and Command Performance. Commenting, "The boys overseas like it. Why wouldn't we?" Joan King Flynn suggests in the Hollywood Reporter that an all-Negro radio program be given a commercial trial.

The radio columnist points out that a half-hour variety show of this type could fill one of the summer vacancies that vex broadcasters when the top programs take their annual layoffs . She specifies some of the Negro talent available in Hollywood:

"Ernie White, who emcees Jubilee, would be ideal for it, and a guest star or band for the weekly highlight could be chosen from Rochester, Lena Horne, Marian Anderson, Duke Ellington, Noble Sissle and down the line of the great and talented Negro entertainers.

"In the regular cast, Lillian Randolph (Madame Queen, Birdie) could do much to guarantee the show's success. In addition to her wonderful character portrayals, she has a superb blues singing voice.

"There are unlimited possibilities for a program of this type. It needn't go overboard in the zoot-suit approach, but could be intelligently produced, displaying the artists' natural abilities."

As in the case of Hollywood's serious screen presentation of Negroes, radio will probably be inclined to go slowly unless its public gives signs of interest and encouragement.

APPRECIATION. The Junior Council of the National Association for Advancement of Colored People has voted an award to M-G-M for "sympathetic and intelligent treatment" of the Negro character in the film "Bataan."

AND PROGRESS. In glorifying the American girl in war service, M-G-M's Ziegfeld Follies will include the Negro girl. She will be typified by Lena Horne.

PRIMITIVE. Republic, leading specialist in drama of the old west ,is going a step further back. The Son of Robin Hood will star Howard Hill, the bow and arrow expert.

PARTY. Fibber McGee and Molly were feted at the Trocadero on their 10th anniversary in radio. One columnist reported that two guests "daintily made their entrance through the front door, clad only in white satin ribbons twined around their enticing necks." They turned out to be prize heifers, a gift to the radio team. Disappointed?

CROSBY PRODUCES. Bing Crosby has turned producer, meaning he heads a company that will produce a picture in which he doesn't appear. It will be The Great John L., about the famous boxing Sullivan.

POSTWAR PROBLEM. After all Hormel's expensive ballyhoo for Spam, there are intimations from overseas that the boys have developed a hearty dislike for the product. The packer is wondering how to counteract the postwar reaction. Any bright idea may be royally compensated. (Dear Mr. Hormel: Change it to Vimintin. Make check payable to United War Relief.)

VICTORY. Louise Howard won her suit charging that Hotel For Women was lifted from a play she wrote. She was awarded 20% of the picture's profits. 20th-Fox then produced records showing that the picture cost $842,400 and took in $862,200. Miss Howard's share is $3960.

Iturbi's Orchestra Changes Its Sex!

HOLLYWOOD — Jose Iturbi, noted concert pianist and screen star, has spent a good deal of his time conducting symphony orchestras, but he is looking forward to a new experience in his next picture, "Musis for Millions."

As a conductor of a symphony group in the picture, he starts out with an orchestra of 62 men and 24 women. By the end of the film story, the draft has taken such a heavy toll that he finds himself conducting 86 women musicians.

COURT JESTER?

One voter in Hollywood evidently believes justice should be tempered with laughter. Members of the election board in the film capital counted a ballot in the primary election of May 16 in which the voter had "written in" comedian Lou Costello's name for Superior Judge.

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Greer Garson Gay, Witty In New 'Mrs.' Role

HOLLYWOOD (Special)—As Susie Parkington in "Mrs. Parkington," Greer Garson lands a potent, albeit figurative, poke to the jaw of shy, reticent Mrs. Chips and all the other good, strong, humanitarian characters that were her stepping stones to screen fame.

Although Miss Garson continues to be married in her new role, that is the only point in common between Mrs. Parkington and her other screen matron portrayals.

In the first place, Miss Garson isn't even a redhead, or at least her natural red tresses don't show in picturization of the lusty Louis Bromfiled novel. She's a brunette, a flashy one.

A New Garson

In the second place, she is extravagantly costumed. Instead of the staid, sober customes she wore in "Madame Curie," Miss Garson says she has 30 beautiful exciting ones.

And in all other places, Miss Garson is not reticent as she was in "Mrs. Chips," not public-spirited as she was in "Blossoms in the Dust," not self-sacrificing as she was in "Random Harvest," not unworldly as she was in "Madame Curie."

As Susie Parkington, she is gay, witty, wise, and worldly. Even at 84 Sussie has admirers, and Miss Garson herself is among them.

"I like Susie Parkington immensely," Miss Garson confessed. "She is a fascinating person, possessed of an insatiable curiosity.

"She is good, of course. Miss Garson added, a bit sadly, it seemed, "but I try to indicate that she just might on occasion, be otherwise.

A Star's Philosophy

Miss Garson settled her dashing chapeau a bit more firmly on her black hair and continued earnestly.

"No person is completely good, or completely bad. It may be a cliche but it's nonetheless true that there is good and bad in all of us. Motion pictures will really come of age when screen characters are permitted to be good, spiced with bad, and bad, sweetened with good."

As Director Tay Garnett interrupted to ask Miss Garson to take her place before the cameras to play a love scene with Walter Pidgeon, the red-headed star — pardon us, the black-haired star — stood up, chuckled, and added:

"I think I shall hire a hall and lecture."

"With slides?" Garnett queried mischievously.

"With slides," Miss Garson said firmly.

Real Skinny Jibes Screen's 'Thin Man'

William Powell is looking for the perpertrator of, what he considers, the year's best practical joke.

Recently Powell was called to the door of his home to sign for the delivery of a studio script of the new picture "The Thin Man Goes Home." The messenger was the tallest, skinniest man Powell had ever seen. He handed Powell the package without a word. The star signed. The mesenger then looked him up and down and then croaked in a sad, sad voice:

"So you're the 'Thin Man'... my, my."

He then turned and walked away.

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Zawodny Hobnobs With Gangsters

Burny Zawodny of the TOLEDO UNION JOURNAL is of Polish descent, yet he thinks nothing of eating and having his picture taken with the unholy three, Hitler, Goebbels and Goering.

Lots of well known Toledoans did the same thing, and nobody seemed to get anything out of it except a lot of laughs and some good clean fun. Mayor Lloyd Roulet and others prominent in the life of this city were there, as well as a few of Toledo's theatre managers.

That's the pay-off. The theatre managers were there because the three were the stars in the picture "Hitler's Gang," which will play at the Paramount Theatre beginning Friday. The three stopped off in Toledo to visit with Marvin Harris, manager of the Paramount Theatre, and he arranged a dinner for them at the Commodore Perry Hotel.

Following the dinner, the three, in real life, Alexander Pope, Martin Kosleck and Bobby Watson, went out to the Willys-Overland where they had their pictures taken in the act of being pulled along by a Willys Jeep.

The three play the principal roles in the picture, which is the inside story of the world's greatest gangsters.

Ohio Has 38,000 Jobs Open

Ohio war industries have 38,000 unfilled jobs, according to a special survey report just compiled by R. C. Goodwin, Regional Director of the War Manpower Commission. Of those 38,000 job openings, 12,500 are priority jobs certified by the Army, Navy or other procurement agency, and they must be filled so immediate production schedules for current war needs can be met.

CONTE'S COLLECTION

John Conte, who enacts the romantic lead opposite Marilyn Maxwell in "Lost in a Harem," has a transcription of every radio program he has emceed in the past five years. His collection comes to more than five hundred.

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Sports News

Game Law Hearing Scheduled

COLUMBUS, June 1. — The Ohio Conservation Commission will hold a public hearing at the State Office Building in Columbus, June 13, at 9:00 A. M., on the matter of facts and proposals for formulation of game laws for the coming year. At this meeting District Representatives report the findings at district and county meetings, and full discussions of proposals are permitted. Visitors are welcome.

The Commission is guided in adopting regulations on open seasons, bag limits, methods of taking, possession and kindred matters, by facts and information developed at this hearing. This plan of developing grass root sentiment in county and district meetings of sportsmen and farmers, all a part of the 15-Point Program of the Commission, has been working out more satisfactorily the past several years than had any previous plan, it is said. These hearings are required by Ohio law.

At the state hearing a sportsman and farmer representative from each of the Seven Conservation Districts are recognized as spokesmen for their several districts and are invited to express their views on all subjects introduced. In this way opportunity is afforded to present and discuss any phase of conservation, field sports, fur taking and policy. Fishing matters are not considered at this hearing since they come in for a separate hearing at another time of year.

Old Timers To Organize

Old time baseball players who have played in the 14th ward are going to organize the 14th Ward Old Timers Association. Organizational meeting will take place at the Palace Recreation, 801 Detroit Ave., Wednesday, June 7 at 8:00 p. m.

Anyone who is over 28 years of age and has ever played ball in the 14th ward is eligible to become a member of the club. Dozens of well known Toledo ball players have already signified their intention of joining the new organization which will plan some ambitious sporting events for the summer, according to Walter Madrzykowski who is handling the publicity for the new organization.

A field day will no doubt be planned for later on in the summer according to Madrzykowski.

League To Organize

Organization and plans for the Local 12 softball league will be the principal business of a meeting of all softball team managers to be held at Local 12 headquarters, 425 Winthrop St., June 5 at 7:30 p. m.

All shops which have teams or which intend organizing a softball team are urged to have their team manager, or someone appointed to represent the shop at the conference.

Equipment and playing fields will be supplied by Local 12, the same as in other years.

Ohio To Have Deer Season

COLUMBUS, May 27. At a meeting of the Ohio Conservation and Natural Resources Commission at Put-in-Bay, May 18, it was tentatively decided to proclaim another open deer season in Ohio this year at about the same time and in the same territory as last year, but cut to one week instead of two. The matter was held open for discussion at the Game Law Hearing in Columbus, June 13, after which final action will be taken. After investigation by the Deer Committee of the Commission, it was reported that circumstances justify the open season without jeopardy to the deer supply, and recommendation was made that such action be taken.

At the session it was also decided to emphasize more forcibly than ever the establishment of head-water lakes as a part of the postwar program of the Division of Conservation, as an agency for natural propagation of fish, and for added recreational facilities.

Memorials Endorsed

Living Memorials received enthusiastic endorsement of the Commission and recommendation was made that actiivties of this kind be put in force and effect in every county and community in the State. Under this plan honor would be paid to heroes and service men and women in the form of lakes, parks, forests, stream dams, shelter houses, fire-places, etc. so dedicated in place of old cannon and stilted statutes as has been the practice in the past.

The regular May meeting of the Commission was held at Put-in-Bay to afford opportunity to inspect the facilities at the fish hatchery, the Stone Laboratory and other Division property.

Song Birds Are Protected

While the Ohio Conservation Division is concerned only with the protection of game birds, and is not charged with the duty of enforcing song-bird protection laws, Conservation Commissioner Don Waters deems it advisable to remind youngsters with their sling shots, BB gun or air gun, out for vacation fun, may get into serious trouble by killing birds.

Shooting robins, bluebirds, catbirds, woodpeckers and other song and insectivorous birds, is a Federal offense with a maximum penalty of $500 in fines, six months in jail, or both, according to the Director of the U. S. Fish and Wildlife Service.

Aside from their esthetic value, birds are very useful in controlling insect pests and are economically important.

FEPC Saved In House

WASHINGTON—(FP)—Hard work by labor and liberals will be needed to get the $500,000 appropriation for FEPC through the Senate despite its approval by 123-119 in the House May 26. The House first killed the agency 141 to 103 on an amendment by Rep. Malcolm C. Tarver (D. Ga.) When warned that Republicans would be blamed for FEPC's defeat along with poll tax Democrats, many GOP members switched their stand; saving the bill in the House.

LITTLE LUTHER

"Fourth term! Fourth term!" growled Mr. Dilworth. "Is everyone going mad?"

"No, Pop," said Little Luther. "Looks like the Republicans are the only ones that are really mad."

"Well, they have lots to be sore about," Mr. Dilworth snapped. "Nobody else but them seems to give a hang about what happens to the constitution. The whole tootin' country is going to the dogs . . ."

"It's better than going to the elephant," murmured Little Luther.

"Why should Roosevelt think he's better than anyone else?" Mr. Dilworth insisted. "It's unfair."

"Sure, after all, Hoover had enough with one term, didn't he, Pop?"

"Let us not discuss such base ingratitude as the people displayed then, Luther," Mr. Dilworth said sternly. "But it's not too late. We can still . . ."

"Lose the war?"

"Luther! The war is not an issue in this election"

"Then why does Goebbels burst a blood vessel every time Roosevelt makes a speech? He never reacts that way to Dewey."

"It just goes to prove how popular Dewey is," said Mr. Dilworth with a superior smile. "The poor man can't help himself from being liked."

"But the people can help themselves to another portion of Roosevelt."

"Roosevelt again!" shrieked Mr. Dilworth. "I tell you, Luther, what this country needs is a new face in the White House."

"And what you need," said Little Luther, "are some points to buy a new brand of banana oil. You slipped on the kind you're using twice before. Good night, Pop!"

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Benito Mussolini (remember him?) has decreed a new flag for Italy. A black eagle with opened wings will replace the arms of the House of Savoy.

That black eagle must be the crow Benito has been eating these past months.

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A young man rejected by the army sent his wife to the WAC recruiting station, where she was accepted.

He also serves who sacrifices his home life.

Biddle Shows Up Wards Attitude

WASHINGTON, May 26 — (FP)—U. S. Atty. Gen. Francis Biddle appeared before the House committee investigating the seizure of Montgomery-Ward's Chicago plant, May 24, and declared that the company's arguments made him think "that although the rest of us were at war, Montgomery-Ward was enjoying some kind of separate peace."

Biddle said the mail order house insisted that "it was entitled to carry on its economic war within the country while the country was fighting its external enemies abroad," and that this attitude of Ward's "threatened the entire structure of our wartime labor relations."

In answer to some newspaper columnists, Biddle said "Montgomery Ward was not a single retail store or a corner grocery. It was a nationwide integrated enterprise employing 78,000 persons and serving 30 million people." He commented that the company has been involved in 20 dispute cases before the NLRB all over the country, and involving both AFL and CIO unions. He said that the company had been given priority and preference ratings by the WPB and the Office of Defence Transportation had issued it certificates of war necessity, all indicating the involvment of the concern in the war effort of the country.

Union Heads Ousted By UAW

DETROIT (FP) — President William Jenkins and 14 administrative officers of Local 490, United Auto Workers (CIO), were ousted by the UAW international board "for violating the CIO's no-strike pledge made to President Roosevelt and the people of the United States." The ousted officials had led an eight-day strike by 11,500 workers at seven Chrysler Corp. plants.

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Transport. Workers Indorse FDR.

CHICAGO — (FP)—Indorsement of Pres. Roosevelt's re-election, participation in labor's political action campaign and support of labor's no-strike pledge head-lined the United Transport Service Employes (CIO) convention.

Pres. R. J. Thomas of United Auto Workers (CIO), claiming to represent the union with the largest Negro membership in the world — 150,000—declared that education is not enough in wiping out race hatred. "You have got to whip the hell out of some people who discriminate aaginst Negroes," he said.

Pres. Willard S. Townsend and Sec. John L. Yancey were reelected by acclamation.

National Maritime Day Honored

NEW YORK—(FP)—Seaman of the merchant marine who gave and will give their lives to deliver the goods of war to far-flung battlefronts were honored at Natl. Maritime Day celebrations May 22, throughout the nation.

AFL and CIO unions in Los Angeles joined with the Chamber of Commerce to honor the maritime fleet. Torpedoes seaman led a parade of members of AFL and CIO shipyard, longshore and transport unions, ladies auxiliaries, coast guard, navy and army through the streets of New Orleans. In many ceremonies Mariners Medals were awarded to the next of kin of dead seamen and traditional wreaths were cast on the waters in their memory.

UAW Local Ends Chrysler Strike

DETROIT—(FP) — An 8-day strike by 11,500 workers at seven Chrysler Corp. plants was ended by officials of Local 490, United Auto Workers (CIO), under pressure from the UAW international executive board. Local officers were called to appear before the executive board on charges of defying the international's order to end the strike.

Reports Strong Unions Get Best Wages

WASHINGTON, May 29 (FP) —In the United States transportation industry ,the stronger unions get the best wage rates, the board of investigation and research reported to President Roosevelt and Congress May 29. The board's stateemnt was made in its study of hourly rates by occupations in the transportation industry as provided in the federal act of 1940.

The report effectively blasted the favorite theory of southern employers that lower wages are justified in the southern states because of the climate reducing both the cost of living and employe efficiency.

"Cost of living is not synonomous with level, standard or plane of living. Contrary to general opinion, the purchase price of a given plane of living does not vary greatly between the east, west and south—there are greater variations within each district than between districts, and inter-regional differences appear to have narrowed in recent years," the report said.

NMU Dedicates Headquarters

NEW YORK (FP)—Dedication of the new headquarters of the National Maritime Union (CIO) to more than 5000 merchant seamen who have gone down at sea in the fight against fascism headed coast-to-coast celebrations of National Maritime Day.

Let Congress Know

Organized labor is letting congress know it is watching its votes on the following:

FEPC Funds (HR 4879)—Section of the National War Agencies appropriations bill providing $500,000 to continue FEPC beyond June 30. This section got through the House by just four votes and a bitter fight is expected in the Senate. Labor is wiring senators to insist on the full fund without changes desired by the polltax Southerners. The FEPC is in real danger.

Price Control. (S. 1764)—Both House and Senate bills are due any day now and labor is continuing to fight against any amendments to cripple OPA and price control measures. Write all congressmen.

Brewster-Bailey (S. 1864)—A vicious bill calling for forced labor for workers 18-45 who fail to get permission to change jobs. Drafted workers would get army pay, without dependency allowances, and be put alongside others making union scale. Protests should go to the Senate Military Affairs committee.

Reconversion (S. 1893)—This is the Kilgore bill giving protection to workers when industry reconverts to peace production. The Senate has already acted speedily to guard the interests of corporations. House membrs are being asked to support overall safeguards, not just those of industry.

Seek Injunction Against Hatch Act

WASHINGTON, May 26 — (FP) — Attacking the constitutionality of Section 9 (a) of the Hatch act, which prohibits government employes from engaging in political management or political campaigns, the United Federal Workers (CIO) May 24 filed suit in U. S. District Court seeking an injunction against the Civil Service Commission.

CIO Gen. Counsel Lee Pressman will represent the union in the case, asking the court to restrain the Civil Service Commission from denying federal workers their rights of free speech and assemblage.

Sec. Treas. Eleanor Nelson of UFW said: "We are firmly convinced that there is more danger of reverting to the old spoils system if government employes have no political rights than if they are permitted to take an active and informed part in the selection of national and local candidates for office."

Congress Fears Political Action

WASHINGTON (FP)—Spurred on by the increasing fear of reactionary members regarding their political fate in the November elections, the house rules committee approved a sweeping resolution empowering a special committee to probe into the political activities of organized labor.

Unions Resist NLRB Change

WASHINGTON (FP)—In the greatest display of a united labor position since 1937, representatives of all organized workers joined in resisting an NLRB proposal that it amend its rules to permit filing of election petitions by employers, as requested by the National Association of Manufacturers.

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IMPORTANT ITEM

As food is the most important item in the workers budget, the CIO is deeply concerned with the administrations program to reestablish consumers prices as they existed on Sept. 15, 1942 in order to fulfill the congressional law of last October, and the promise of President Roosevelt.

Two items which statistics show have had more to do with the direct rise in food costs than all others, are fresh foods and vegetables. Three-fourths of the food sold to consumers showed a rise in the index of only four percent, while fresh fruits and vegetables which constitute the remaining quarter, showed a raise from September to May of fifty-eight per cent. Clearly these two items have been a lage factor in the rise in the cost of living.

A program that will have a substantial effect on the cost of food has ben cleared by all responsible agencies, and awaits only action of the Presidient to set it in effect. It relates specifically to fresh fruit and vegetables and includes eighteen foods. It is intended to subsidize certain of these commodities, thus providing seperate prices to producers while arranging the resale to consumers at lower prices. This will be the case with potatoes and sweet potatoes.

With others, for example, apples and onions, a considerable reduction of price will be achieved through reduction of distributors margins which are very high. For instance, a Texas farmer receives from 15 to 19 cents for a 50 lb. sack of onions which retails in some of the larger cities from a $1.20 to 1.67. This is a hell of a profit for somebody.

In addition to this program of roll back and cut backs, O. P. A. hopes to improve inforcement of price ceilings. A study of price violations in May revealed that they account for five percent in the rise of the cost of food.

Extensive efforts are being made to enlist housewives in an army pledged not to buy at prices higher than ceiling. Price panels are being scheduled to call on 350,000 merchants and advance the popular enforcement program. It is the duty of every one of us to enlist in this program and help control our cost of living.

Leafy Oak Trials To Resume

Announcement has been made that the nationally known Leafy Oak Coondog Trials will be resumed this year on Labor Day and the day following at Kenton, after a one year lapse following the death of Col. H. J. Pfeiffer, founder of the enterprise. The same book of rules and regulations as prepared by Mr. Pfeiffer will prevail, and inquiries should be addressed to Pauline Pfeiffer Ruopp, Sec'y, Kenton. Ralph Woodard and Mac Weist are to be the managers.

Shutdown Lays Off 13,000 Workers

WASHINGTON (FP) — Sudden shutdown of the big Brewster Aeronautical Corp plant at Long Island, N. Y., laying off more than 13,000 skilled workers, was cited by Aviation Director Richard T. Frankensteen of United Auto Workers (CIO) as proof of the need for a federal law to handle the personnel problem in contract terminations.

UAW Official Hits Brewster Shutdown

WASHINGTON, May 26 — (FP)—The sudden closing down of the big Brewster Aeronautical Corp. plant at Long Island, N. Y. was cited May 24 by Director Richard T. Frankensteen of the Aviation division, United Automobile Workers (CIO) as proof of the need of a federal law to handle the personnel problem in contract terminations.

Employing more than 13,000 skilled workers, the Brewster plant was ordered closed when the Navy declared it had no need of the fast planes being produced there.

Auto-Lite News

AN APPEAL

To all Auto-Lite workers:

I had faith in you last February when the Auto-Lite Unit held its election and you showed that you wanted changes made in your shop committee. For a short time I had hoped that the new committeemen would come up to the standards which you people must have had in mind when you elected them; but unfortunately, they have been taken in by a few of the holdover committeemen and are now working hand in glove with them to disunite our Unit.

With the committee majority, it is rule or ruin, and their attempts to discredit me, as well as the entire Unit are sufficient to arouse resentment in every fair, union-minded worker at Auto-Lite.

If you believe in fair play, if you wish to maintain your Unit as a strong and progressive organization, then you will come to the Civic Auditorium next Sunday afternoon at 2 o'clock and attend the special meeting which was called by the committee majority to take over the Unit and run it as they see fit.

It matters very little what becomes of me or any other officer of the Unit. The thing that really counts is what is to become of our Unit when some group such as the present committee majority takes over.

Fraternally yours,
Howard Cutcher, Chairman.

Editor's note—The following letter was brought into the UNION JOURNAL editorial office by Velma Miller, secretary of the Auto Lite Unit. It was addressed to the editor, but in view of the fact that it was not signed by a single member of the executive committee it was placed in the Auto Lite column.

Judging by conversation overheard at Auto-Lite, it seems evident that there is some confusion as to the important issue confroning them.

I am listing below a few facts from the record for the benefit of Auto-Lite members.

1. The Unit body, at the regular meeting Sunday, May 21, 1944, by a majority vote referred the appointment of a vice chairman pro tem to a majority vote of the Executive Committee.

2. Following out this mandate, the Executive Committee met on Monday, May 22, 1944, and by a two-thirds majority vote elected one of their number as vice chairman to fill temporary vacancy, due to induction of Earl Stucker, and so notified the management of Electric Auto-Lite Co.

On Tuesday, May 23, 1944, the chairman notified management that he had set aside the Unit body's vote because an appeal had been filed with Local 12 protesting the Unit body's decision.

4. The management at Auto-Lite stated in answer that under he contract they were unable to recognize the chairman's order because it was clearly a minority action, and further, they questioned the legality of any contracts or negotiations until such time as the chairman's dispute with the rank and file membership was settled.

5. Failing in all efforts to effect a compromise, the Executive Committee voted to instruct the chairman to notify the Unit body in proper fashion, of a special meeting to be held Sunday, June 4, 1944, for the purpose of taking any action necessary to liquidate the problem, even to the removal of the chairman.

Here's A Thought!

At this time, it would be wise for certain individuals at the Electric Auto Lite to quit crucifying the labor movement with their internal fight to perpetuate themselves in office. Their jockeying of the International Constitution to serve their own ends is gaining no friends for labor and is a boon to management.

The rank and file at the Auto Lite should take steps now to purify their representation, separate the good from the bad, and then support their committee for the common good of all labor. Certain of them have been milking a public trust for too many years already, and would be doing the membership a favor by tendering their resignations at the earliest possible opportunity.

Fred H. Gelow, Vice-Chairman
Packard Unit, Local 12.

Liberal Party Indorses FDR

NEW YORK, May 27 — (FP) — Pres. Roosevelt, Vice Pres. Henry A. Wallace and Sen. Robert F. Wagner (D, NY) were unanimously backed for reelection by 1,500 delegates to the newly formed Liberal party, set up at a 2-day organizing convention.

The Liberal party was formed here by the leaders of the former right wing of the American Labor party, who withdrew after losing control in the primaries to the Committee for a United Labor Party, led by Chairman Sidney Hillman of the CIO Political Action Committee.

Prof. John L. Childs of Columbia University was chosen state chairman of the new party, Joseph V. O'Leary, secretary, Harry Uviller, treasurer, and Alex Rose, former state secretary of the ALP, chairman of the party's administrative committee.

Adopt Platform

Heading the 4-plank platform adopted by delegates is a statement that "our first task is to win the war." The program calls for the immediate creation of a United Nations Council which would be transformed after the war into a permanent international organization with authority and power to check aggression and eliminate the political, social and economic causes of war.

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